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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initiating the Examination of the above-described continuation application, Applicants herewith submit the following Preliminary Amendments and Remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 1 and add the following claim(s):

15 Bl 2.

An television receiver station apparatus for detecting the status of a

television display and recording a television program on a video recorder depending on

the status of said television display comprising:

a receiver section for receiving a broadcast carrier transmission;